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In re application of

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of August 20, 2008, constituting a restriction requirement between (I) claims 1-4, 8 and 9, and (II) claims 5-7 and 10-20, Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group I, i.e. claims 1-4, 8 and 9.

Applicants emphasize that this election is made while reserving their rights under 35 U.S.C. §121 to file a divisional application for the non-elected subject matter of claims 5-7 and 10-20.

Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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